SUBJECT No. 134.

Fencing on either side of Mysore-Arsikere Railway.

Mr. Bale Siddalingasetti, Yedatore Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—To ensure safety to the cattle of the villages adjoining the Mysore-Arsikere Railway, proper fencing may be ordered to be put up on either side of the line.

Mr. Bale Siddalinga Setty.—The whole railway line should be fenced in order to avoid cattle being run over and killed.

Second Member.—Aloe hedges should not be put up as they would harbour snakes. For a mile or two from each station, there is fencing. We cannot do more than this.

Reply of Government.—Wire fencing is very costly and Government cannot do anything more as it is not practicable. The people should take care of their cattle.

SUBJECT No. 135.

Levy of Railway cess.

Mr. N. Rama Rao, Kolar District Board.

Summary of discussion—Railway cess may be levied in all the districts and Railway lines extended all over the State.

Mr. N. Rama Rao.—We in Kolar are paying railway cess whereas some of the districts are not paying any cess. Railway cess should be levied in other districts also and railway lines extended throughout the Province. If no cess is levied in other districts, Government should abolish the cess in our district also.

Reply of Government.—The cess is levied by the District Board and Government only agreed to what the Board proposed. Government cannot take any action on the present suggestion.

SELF-GOVERNMENT.

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SUBJECT No. 136.

Election of Presidents and Vice-Presidents of Municipalities.

(1) Messrs. B. Venkatramaniah and C. B. Gopala Rao, Kolar Municipality.

(2) Mr. V. Nageswara Iyer, Kolar Municipality.

(3) Mr. G. Girumaji Rao, Kolar Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(1) The privilege of electing their Presidents may be given to all Municipalities.

(2) The nomination of the Municipal President and Vice-President should always be with the consent of the Councils concerned.

(3) The Deputy Commissioner of the district should always be the President of the District Headquarter Municipality.

Reply of Government.—(1) and (2) If in any district there is a desire for a non-official President, Government will give a non-official President. Deputy Commissioners have no objection. The Municipal bodies may pass resolutions and send up.

SUBJECT No. 137.

Election of Presidents and Vice-Presidents of City Municipalities by rate-payers.

Mr. Karnik Krishnamurti Rao, Magadi Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The Presidents and Vice-Presidents of City Municipalities may be elected by the rate-payers instead of by the Municipal Councillors.

Reply of Government.—The regulation will have to be amended. Under the law as it stands this is not